



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Peter DROESCHER et al.

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Examiner: QAZI, Sabiha Naim

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For: 17-METHYLENE STEROIDS, PROCESS FOR THEIR PRODUCTION AND

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS THAT CONTAIN THESE COMPOUNDS

REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated December 24, 2002, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.